

## **Proclamation** *Presented*

## In Recognition of Distracted Driving Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Department of Transportation joins the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in recognizing April, 2013, as Distracted Driving Awareness Month in the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Department of Transportation recognizes that distracted driving is a behavior dangerous to drivers, passengers, and non-occupants alike; and that in 2010, nationally, there were 3,092 killed in crashes and an estimated 416,000 additional were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Department of Transportation will launch a statewide campaign during the month of April to raise awareness of the impacts and consequences of distracted driving; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i State Department of Transportation is providing federal grant funds to the four county police departments to enforce their respective distracted driving ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Department of Transportation values its continuing partnerships with the Honolulu Police Department, Hawai'i Police Department, Kaua'i Police Department and Maui Police Department to raise awareness of distracted driving;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April, 2013, as

## "DISTRACTED DRIVING MONTH"

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in supporting the Hawai'i State Department of Transportation and its partners in their efforts to raise awareness about distracted driving.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fifteenth of March, 2013.

**NEIL ABERCROMBIE** 

Governor, State of Hawai'i

**SHAN S. TSUTSUI** 

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i